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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:

Applicant : LANDA, David, et al.
Serial No. : 09/849,467
Filed : May 4, 2001
For : **PROCESS FOR MAKING ADHESIVE
BONDED SINTERED PLATES**
Examiner : KEEHAN, Christopher M
Art Unit : 1712

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 29, 2004

Honorable Sir:

LETTER

In response to the August 20, 2003 Office Action and the April 13, 2004 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 4, line 2, replace "450 F" with -- 1220° F --.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 12-23.

24. (New) A method for making sintered plates comprising:

providing a metal core of a first thickness having a top surface and a bottom surface;
cleaning the entire top surface;